

002 - KETTLE TARN

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Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 principles of Leave No Trace skills and ethics

- **Plan ahead and prepare:** Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- **Travel and camp on durable surfaces:** Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- **Leave what you find:** Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- **Minimize campfire impacts:** Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- **Respect Wildlife:** Hang food and scented items 10 feet up and 4 feet out from trunk of tree. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- **Be considerate of other visitors:** Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

EMERGENCIES: In case of emergency, go to the nearest phone (as located on map) and call 586-1399 or 911. Please remember that patrol cabins are not routinely staffed. Climb to higher elevations to attempt cell phone use.

Site Location: These sites are located on top of a moraine above a small lake, or glacial kettle. The sites are located on the south side of the North Fork of Big Thompson River and are surrounded by pine trees, and well hidden from the trail. A wood sign on the North Fork trail marks the path to the sites which are marked with metal arrowheads. Pitch tent within 15' of post with silver arrowhead to limit impact on surrounding vegetation.

Number of Sites: 2

Distance: 4.9 mi.

Privy: YES

Elevation: 9,200 ft.

Approx. Travel Time: 3 to 4 hrs.

Elevation Change: 1,240 ft.

Water Source: Water can be obtained from the Big Thompson River or Kettle Tarn. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead (TH): Dunraven Glade TH. Drive out Devils Gulch Road past Glen Haven to the sign that says "Forest Service Access 2¼ miles." Turn left onto the dirt road and drive to the Forest Service parking lot. The trail begins from this point. Please do not drive onto the Cheley Camps private property just beyond the Forest Service TH.

Note: You will be travelling through Comanche Peak Wilderness to reach this site. Please adhere to the wilderness regulations posted at the TH while hiking in this area.

